

Virginia Department of Forensic Science Questioned Document Seminar Schedule

April 23, 2013

- 8:30 - 10:00 Introduction and Overview of Questioned Document Examinations Classroom
Provide an understanding of the various types of examinations that the QD Section is capable of performing and how they can provide meaningful information to the investigator.
- 10:00 - 11:00 Handwriting Examinations and Identifications Classroom
Provide an insight into the methods and procedures used to identify handwriting so the investigator will understand the evidentiary needs of the QD Section as well as problem areas.
- 11:00 - 12:00 Questioned Evidence collection Classroom
Methods for the collection and preservation of QD evidence.
- 12:00 - 1:00 Lunch
- 1:00 - 2:30 Specialized Equipment and processes Classroom
Introduction to the instruments and processes used in the field.
- 2:30 - 4:00 Collection of Known writings Classroom
Methods for the collection of known writing samples. Types of known writings needed and sources in addition to the suspect or victim.
- 4:00 -5:00 Hands-on practical exercises Classroom
Practical exercises in the collection and submission of evidence, as well as some limited laboratory examination of evidence.